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On the Cover

In January 2002, the Seattle Center Opera House was demolished to make way for the new Marion Oliver McCaw Hall. During demolition, workers discovered a time capsule that had been sealed at the 1928 dedication of the original building, which served as Seattle's first Civic Auditorium and was renovated in 1962 to become the Opera House.

Some of the items from the 1928 time capsule are shown in this photomontage (clockwise from top left):

- Letter box containing sweetbrier seeds from the garden of Seattle pioneer Louisa Boren Denny (Mrs. David T. Denny), who brought the seeds from Illinois
- April 16, 1889, map (in blueprint) of David T. Denny's Home Addition, which deeded land to the City for the original Civic Auditorium
- Photo of sold-out crowd at Civic Auditorium for a symphony performance
- Seattle City Council and staff list, 1927-28
- Seattle Yearbook, Annual Report of Mayor Bertha K. Landes, dated June 6, 1927
- Specifications for Civic Auditorium project, including Civic Arena (now Mercer Arts Arena) and Civic Field (now Memorial Stadium)
- Typed cornerstone ceremony speech delivered by Mayor Bertha K. Landes, May 18, 1928
- Invitation to the dedication ceremony for the Civic Auditorium
- Portrait of Louisa Boren Denny

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Reader's Guide to the 2004-2009 Proposed Capital Improvement Program

The City of Seattle's 2004-2009 Proposed Capital Improvement Program (CIP) includes an introduction, departmental sections, appendix, an index, and a glossary. The introduction provides highlights of the CIP, allocations, funding sources for capital projects, and policies guiding the City's capital investments.

Departmental sections comprise the majority of the document and contain detailed information on the more than 800 individual projects. The following departments have sections in this book: Office of Arts and Cultural Affairs, Parks and Recreation, Seattle Center, Seattle Public Library, Seattle Department of Transportation, Seattle City Light, Seattle Public Utilities (divided into four sections: Drainage and Wastewater, Solid Waste, Technology Projects, and Water), Department of Information Technology, and Fleets & Facilities. The Appendix is comprised of a listing of new or expanded capital facilities as required by the Growth Management Act. An index provides an alphabetical listing of all projects and related page numbers for easy reference, and the glossary defines terms and abbreviations used throughout the document.

Reading CIP Project Pages

CIP project pages, located in the departmental sections of the CIP, provide the most detailed information about a project. The project pages contain the following information:

Program: Grouping of similar projects into department-specific programs.

Type: Projects are identified as New Facilities, Improvements to Existing Facilities, Rehabilitation or Restoration of Existing Facilities. Technology projects or those that do not fit into the categories above are identified as New Investments.

Location: Street address, intersection, or general location of a project.

Start Date/End Date: Quarter and year a project begins and is expected to finish. Projects that continue from year-to-year are shown as 'ongoing.'

Project ID: Unique number identifying a project in the City's automated financial management system.

Neighborhood District: The City is divided into 13 neighborhood districts. This field indicates in which, if any, neighborhood district(s) a project is located. Some projects are located in more than one neighborhood district or outside the City and are so noted.

Neighborhood Plan: If a project is part of a neighborhood plan recommendation, the name of the neighborhood plan is indicated.

Description: Information about the purpose, scope, and history of the project.

Fund Sources: Table listing the funding source, life-to-date (LTD) expenditures through 2002, the 2003 revised budget (including 2003 adopted budget, carryforward balances, and supplemental appropriations and abandonments), proposed 2004 appropriations, and estimated appropriation requests for 2005-2009. "TBD" indicates that funding sources are to be determined.

O&M Costs (Savings): Estimate of significant increases or decreases in operations and maintenance costs as a result of a capital project. 'N/C' denotes that operations and maintenance costs were not calculated.

Cash Flow: This field is shown when spending differs from appropriation or allocation. This is displayed for a limited number of projects in this document.

